

# WILLIMANTIC

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FORMER U. S. CONSUL DANIELS  
DIES AT DAUGHTER'S HOME

Had Represented This Country at  
Sheffield, England, and Sherbrooke,  
Canada—Postmaster Eight Years.

Charles N. Daniels died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. H. C. Hartford, 84 Chapin street, Southbridge, Mass., Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mr. Daniels had not been in good health for over a year and death was caused by heart trouble. The first attack of heart trouble proved very serious, but Mr. Daniels improved constantly until last May when the disease again became serious. From that time until his death he had made his home with his daughter.

While acting as U. S. consul at Sherbrooke, Canada, Mr. Daniels became prominent. He was consulted by Harry Thaw after the latter's flight from the New York asylum.

Mr. Daniels was born in Barre, Orleans county, N. Y., in 1849, the son of Nelson Fitch and Alenda Clark Daniels. His father died when he was eight years of age and his mother came to Columbia. While a resident of Columbia, Mr. Daniels attended school in this city, later going to college in the middle west. He left school at the age of sixteen and worked for the railroad until 1878 he became a

bookkeeper for a local lumber concern. In 1880 he received the appointment as postmaster of Willimantic under Harrison. For a period of eight years he held this office after which he entered the employ of a lumber firm. In 1897 he was elected judge of probate, an office he held for eight years. From this time until 1898 he became active in the political affairs of the town, serving as treasurer of Willimantic, treasurer of the water fund, burgess of the borough and chief of the fire department. In 1898 he was chairman of the republican town committee and a member of the state central committee. He was a prominent Mason and was active in the militia. In 1903, after serving nine years as probate judge, he was advanced to consul at Sherbrooke, Canada, which office he held until a few months previous to his death.

Mr. Daniels was a widower, his wife, Miss Susan E. Little of Columbia, whom he married in 1878, had died about three years ago. Mr. Daniels is survived by a son, Nelson A. Daniels of this city, one daughter, Mrs. Grace Hartford of Southbridge, two sisters, Mrs. Mary Perkins of New York, Miss Marie Daniels of New Britain, and a brother, Norman Daniels, also of New Britain.

Mrs. Nersa L. Lee.

Mrs. Nersa L. Lee died at her home, in Coventry about 8 o'clock Monday morning, after a short illness with grip. She was born in Coventry in 1844, the daughter of Venus and Henrietta Danham Leominster. Besides her husband she is survived by two daughters and two sons. One son, Dr. Charles W. Lee, Jr., resides in New Britain.

Capt. John G. McFarland.

The death of Captain John G. McFarland occurred at his home in Atwoodville late Saturday night. He was born in Scotland in 1830, the son of John Stewart and Ann (McArthur) McFarland. When a young man he came to this country and settled in Mansfield where he became interested in the silk business. He is survived by one son, John G. McFarland, and two daughters, Mrs. O. G. Hanks of Hanks Hill, Mrs. Joseph Clercy of Patterson, N. J., and a brother Joseph McFarland of Mansfield Center.

FUNERAL.

Thomas Perry Easterbrook.

The funeral of Theodore Perry Easterbrook was held from the home of his parents at 84 Turner street, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Robert S. Moore officiated at the services. Burial was in the Willimantic cemetery.

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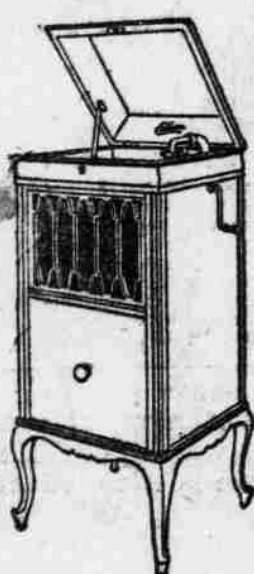
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City Court Cases.

In the police court Monday morning three prisoners were up, all on the charge of intoxication and one having the charges of resistance and breach of peace in addition to the intoxication charge against him. As the proceedings of the court were underway a man was set up in the spectators' gallery and upon investigation it was found that the trouble was started by Amos Courtemanche, who was under the influence of liquor. He was placed under arrest and locked up.

David Barry, arrested Saturday night very much under the influence of liquor, entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$1 and costs, which he paid.

Henry Blair, next to face the court, entered a plea of guilty to the charge of intoxication and was fined \$1 and costs which he paid. He was apprehended Saturday night after he had been told to move along and had refused.

Martin Walak had the charges of intoxication, resistance and breach of peace to answer to. The accused had nothing to say for himself in court other than to plead guilty. He was fined \$1 and costs for intoxication and sentenced to thirty days in jail on each of the other counts.

Community Christmas Tree.

The American Thread company is planning on giving the people of Willimantic a chance to participate in the festivities connected with a municipal Christmas tree. The tree and decorations will be furnished by the thread company and the tree will be stationed in front of the girls' boarding house on Main street. The exercises for which a committee has been appointed, will be held Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

Skating at Recreation Park.

It was announced Monday that the skating pond at Recreation park would be officially opened in the evening. As the result about two hundred enjoyed the skating there last evening, as the snow had been cleared away and lighted about the pond to make this outdoor sport more enjoyable. Although the pond was not officially opened until last evening a number of people were skating there Sunday evening in spite of the fact that there was some snow on the surface.

Broken Wire Causes Bell Alarm.

People were startled by the ringing of the fire alarm at 4:40 o'clock Monday morning, thinking it was an other fire. Chief Foley started an investigation and found the trouble to be a broken wire which had shorted out on Ash street. The break was immediately repaired.

Main Street Open to Traffic.

The merchants on Main street, between Lincoln Square and the railroad crossing, were made glad Monday morning when the ropes that have been stretched across Main street in front of the ruins of the Jordan building were pulled in enough to allow traffic down the street. The merchants on this part of the street had found some difficulty in getting their goods to their places of business as they had to be carried nearly a block out of the way.

The work of razing the front wall of the Jordan building is going on with great rapidity and if good weather holds on for a few days more this part of the work will be done. After this wall has been razed the work of clearing out the foundation will start.

KILLED MONDAY NIGHT.

Alexander Olegnik Met His Death While at Work in the Mill.

Late Monday night it was learned that Alexander Olegnik, an employee of the Iron River Paper company, had lost his life while at work in the mill. The man's apron became caught in the machinery around which he was working pulling him to the ceiling where he was whirled about on a pulley until the machinery was stopped. His body was taken down a mangled mass. The result of striking the pulley, he was whirled about on the pulley. Little is known of the man other than he was married but had no children. He had worked for the mill for about four years. Olegnik is about thirty years of age.

SPECIAL CITY MEETING

MONDAY NIGHT.

\$7,000 Appropriated For an Improved Fire Alarm System.

At the special city meeting held in the town hall Monday evening two hundred were present and voted to appropriate \$7,000 for the purpose of installing an improved fire alarm system.

Mayor Daniel F. Dunn called the meeting to order at 8:10 o'clock after which Clerk A. C. Scripture read the warning. The meeting was called for the purpose of motorizing the fire department and to have an improved fire alarm system installed. The warning called for \$15,000 for the first appropriation and \$7,000 for the second appropriation.

When a motion was asked for in regard to the appropriations, Corporation Counsel T. J. Kelley introduced the following resolutions, which were to be filled in at the meeting desired: Resolved, That the sum of—thousand dollars, be, and hereby is, appropriated for the purpose of motorizing the fire department of said city and that the common council be, and hereby is, authorized to make the requisite appropriations for such motorizing and pay the amount thereof out of the funds of said city, to-wit: and dollars for the purpose aforesaid.

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to do all necessary repairing and work in connection therewith in accordance with the requirements and recommendations of the New England Insurance Exchange and that the common council be and hereby is authorized to make the requisite appropriations for such installing, wiring and work and pay the amount thereof not to exceed said sum of—thousand dollars.

M. E. Lincoln made a motion that action be taken on the second resolution, which should be adopted as read, was carried.

George F. Taylor, a member of the committee appointed at the annual city meeting to negotiate matters pertaining to the fire department, then spoke on the work the committee had done and to what use the money, if appropriated, would be paid. He explained the old boxes and wiring now in the city stating that it was the intention of the committee to put in five new boxes and to do a great deal of rewiring.

A small fire proof structure is necessary to take care of the batteries which are being used by the committee that a small fire proof building 14-16 should be built in the rear of the Bank Street engine house. In closing Mr. Taylor stated that the blank space in the second resolution should be filled in so as to read \$5,000.

It was voted that \$7,000 should be appropriated for this purpose of installing an improved fire alarm system.

A discussion as to the advisability of taking action on the appropriation for motorizing the fire department before the committee have made a full report was then entered into.

City Attorney E. Frank Bugbee stated that he thought action should be deferred on this motion until the meeting which is to be held the 27th of this month. After much discussion it was decided that no action should be taken at this season of the year.

Danihy made a motion that this meeting should be adjourned until the evening of the 27th so that a vote would have a chance to attend. This motion was carried which will make two city meetings on that day. The meeting for the report of the committee that is investigating the matters will be held at two o'clock in the afternoon and Monday evening's meeting is continued until eight o'clock in the evening.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45.

Brief Mention.

Walter F. Lester of Norwich was in Willimantic on business Monday.

T. F. Cunningham of this city was in Boston on a business trip Monday.

In spite of the slippery walking in a number of places about the city many were out Monday doing Christmas shopping.

A. L. Mills and family of Hampton will reside in this city during the winter. Mr. Mills has secured a house on Lincoln avenue.

Many men in the employ of the city were busy engaged in clearing out the gutters on all the city streets on Monday in anticipation of a rain or thaw.

The city labor payroll for the past week totaled \$647.88. Conn. was divided as follows: Water department, \$141.98; police department, \$173.45; street department, \$119.45; police department special, \$5.90; maintaining sewers, \$22.25.

## PLAINFIELD

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick I. Racine celebrated 17th Anniversary of Marriage—Three Sisters Meet, After 38 Years—Amos Gamache Loses Tips of Three Fingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick I. Racine observed the seventeenth anniversary of their marriage at their home on Railroad avenue Monday evening, when relatives and friends were present from Matapedia, Canada; Stoneville, Mass.; Dayville, Danielson, Moosvi, and Plainfield, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. Racine were warmly congratulated on attaining the anniversary. After brief addresses, supper was served, followed by a social evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Racine (Hermesius Roy) were united in marriage in St. John's church, Danielson, December 18, 1899, by Rev. Father Guinetti. Following their marriage, they resided in Dayville. Later they moved to Westbury, R. I., where Mr. Racine was appointed superintendent of the Federal Life Insurance company. Coming to Plainfield nine years ago, Mr. Racine started in business for himself, conducting a periodical store which he has been remarkably successful.

An incident connected with Monday night's wedding was the marriage of three sisters for the first time after a separation of 38 years. Mrs. Napoleon Moreau and Mrs. Mable Fitts of St. Aristo, Matapedia, Canada, greeted their sister, Mrs. Theophile Racine of Dayville, mother of Frederick Racine, for the first time in 38 years.

adding to the joy of the anniversary celebration.

Losses Tips of Fingers.

Amos Gamache, a carpenter in the employ of the Lawton Mills company, met with a painful accident while at work in the machine shop of that plant Monday morning. Mr. Gamache was planing off a board and his hand struck the teeth of the planer and the tips of the first second and third fingers of his left hand were cut off. His wounds were given first aid by the machine shop force and he was later sent to the office of Dr. Arthur A. Chase where his fingers were dressed.

It was thought at first that Mr. Gamache would lose his fingers at the first joints but after an examination it was decided that it was unnecessary to amputate them.

Skated at Norwich.

James Connors, a Plainfield young man, thrilled a crowd at the Olympic hall, Norwich, Saturday night, by his feats on roller skates. Mr. Connors and Joseph Fitzgerald, of Westbury, considered to be one of the best roller skaters in that section, were granted the floor, the other skaters witnessing the exhibition. In the opinion of all the pair were about evenly matched.

Mr. Connors has performed on roller skates numerous occasions in Plainfield and is by far the best skater seen on a local floor.

To Play Tourtelotte.

The Plainfield high school basketball team, members of the Housatonic Valley League, will play their first home game Friday evening, when they meet the Tourtelotte M. H. S. team.

Local Interests.

Preparations are under way for Christmas trees in the various grades at the Plainfield Grammar school. Pupils are also preparing for entertainment to take place on Friday before Christmas.

Dr. Gauthier, who died at his home in Plainfield, has relatives residing in this place.

Ralph Chaput has been appointed agent for this district by an insurance company, succeeding Napoleon Goyette.

Members of the senior class of the Plainfield high school are holding final rehearsals preparatory to the presentation of their school play, Polly in Politics.

People are enjoying the snow, as skidding is fair. A number of the youngsters have been skating on Evans pond the last three days but the water boys are saying, "Safety First."

John Hargraves and sons, Frank and Thomas, spent Saturday in Providence.

Miss Ella Mette spent the week-end with Norwich relatives.

Miss Blanche La Fleur was a Moosvi visitor over the week-end.

Alvin Belval of Baltic spent Sunday here with his family.

John Newton and Will Bradford landed ten rabbits yesterday while the residents of the John Bradford, Christopher Krauss, Rev. Arthur Darwick expedition has not been reported.